

MINUTES

University Committee Meeting
May 4, 2016, 3:00 PM
Cofrin Library 735

Present: Andrew Austin (minutes taker), John Lyon (chair), Chuck Rybak (guest), Katia Levintova (guest), Christine Style, Patricia Terry, Christine Vandenhouten, David Voelker, Joshua Goldman (Academic Staff), Jan Snyder (University Staff)

Guests: Chancellor Gary Miller, Provost Greg Davis, SOFAS Steven Meyer

The meeting was called to order at 3:00 PM.

1. Approved minutes of April 20, 2016.
2. Chancellor Miller met with University Committee over the possible vote of no confidence in UW System president Ray Cross and/or UW Board of Regents. The Chancellor emphasized that he respected the right of the faculty to make such a statement, but he stated his opposition to a vote and suggested alternatives.
3. Provost Davis briefed the University Committee on the reorganization of Adult Degree and Outreach.
4. Patricia Terry indicated a willingness to stand for the position of speaker of the Senate for 2016-17, and Chuck Rybak agreed to stand for the position of deputy speaker.
5. Approved a slate of candidates for the ILC and the CWC.
6. Discussed post-tenure review, including how to define “meets expectations” and “does not meet expectations,” the relationship of annual review to the post-tenure review, the personnel file system, as well as language of policy to best reflect the values of faculty development.
7. Briefly discussed domains versus colleges for governance councils in light of reorganization under the new four colleges model.
8. Austin presented draft of a resolution, based largely on the Madison resolution, to hold a vote of no confidence in UW System president Ray Cross and UW Board of Regents, along with the progress of no confidence resolutions across the state. Vigorous debate followed and suggestions for improving the language were made. The discussion concluded with majority support for the likely scheduling of a special Faculty Senate meeting the following week.

Meeting adjourned 5:00 after taking photo of the current and future UC.

Approved 8/31/16